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In re Appln. of: Hiroshi Shishido, et al.
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For: **METHOD FOR COMMUNICATION
AMONG MOBILE UNITS AND
VEHICULAR COMMUNICATION
APPARATUS**

Examiner: Charles Terrell Shedrick
Art Unit: 2617

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FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicants hereby cite the following references:

U.S. Patents

NUMBER	DATE	NAME
US 2001/022780	September 20, 2001	Akihiko, et al.
US 6,292,747 B1	September 18, 2001	Yousef, et al.

Foreign Patents

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Publications

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Beongku, An, et al.	"A mobility-based clustering approach to support mobility management and multicast routing in mobile ad-hoc wireless networks", <i>INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF NETWORK MANAGEMENT</i> ; Wiley, GB; December 2001, pages 387-395, XP002333507; ISSN: 1055-7148

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(g),(h), this Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made and is not to be construed to be an admission that the information cited is, or is considered to be, material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Each item of the information disclosed in this Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Statement, as evidenced by the enclosed European search report dated November 14, 2006.

Applicants have calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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